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In the grave-yard at Ditchley, in Wicomico, Northumberland, the inscriptions on the tomb of Hancock Lee, Esq., and his two wives, are as follows:

Here Lyeth the Body of
HANCOCK LEE seventh son of the
Honorable Richard Lee who
Departed this life May the 25th
Anno Dom. 1729 Æta 56 years.
Also Mary * his first wife, only
Daughter of William Kendall, Gent.
Who departed this life December
The 24th Anno Dom. 1694
Æta 33 years,
And Sarah † his last wife
Daughter of Isaac Allerton, Esq.,
Who Departed this life
May the 17th Anno Dom. 1731.
Æta 60 years.

HICKS FAMILY.

In 1728, William Byrd, Richard Fitzwilliam and William Dandridge, Esquires, proceeded, as commissioners, on the part of Virginia, to run the line between Virginia and North Carolina. Two experienced surveyors were directed to wait upon them, William Mayo, who had made an accurate map of Barbadoes, and Alexander Irvine, professor of Mathematics in the College of William and Mary; and because a good number of men were made to go upon the expedition, a chaplain, Rev. Peter Fontaine, of Charles City county, was made to attend them. Among the men who attended the expedition was Robert Hicks.

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* Mrs. Lee appears, from *Hen. Stat.*, Vol. VI., p. 443, and Vol. VIII., p. 278, to have been well endowed with lands by her father, Col. Wm. Kendall, of Newport House, Northampton county. Her children by Hancock Lee appear to have been William, Anna and Richard.

† Col. Isaac Allerton, who died in Westmoreland, in December, 1702, in his will names among his children "my dear daughter Sarah Lee." Her children by Hancock Lee were Hancock, Isaac, John, Ann and Elizabeth.

In his journey in 1716 to Fort Christanna, situated on the Meherrin River, in what is now Brunswick county, Governor Alexander Spotswood stopped on his way at "Hicks' Ford," where Capt. Robert Hicks resided on the extreme frontier of the settlements. The place was afterwards included in Brunswick, and is now situated in Greenville county, which was cut from Brunswick in 1748.

1 CAPT. ROBERT[1] HICKS married Frances ——, and his will was proved February 7, 1739. He had issue, 2 Charles, 3 *James,* 4 George, 5 Martha, married Beddingfield; 6 Frances, married Richard Ransone, of Gloucester county; 7 Elizabeth, 8 Rachel, married Davis; 9 Mary, 10 Tabitha, 11 John.

3 JAMES[2] HICKS (Robert[1]) married Judith Collier, of York county. His will was proved December 23, 1793, in Brunswick county (see QUARTERLY, VIII., 202–205), according to which he had issue, 12 *Isaac,* 13 Sally, married Robert Hardeway; 14 James, 15 Vines, 16 Nancy Vines (born 1766, married Dr. William G. Walker); 17 Charles, 18 John.

12 ISAAC[3] HICKS (James[2], Robert[1]) married Nancy Cryer, was captain of the Third Georgia Regiment, taken prisoner at Brier Creek, March 2, 1779. He was born in 1755, and died, in 1817, in the sixty-third year of his age. (Bible Register.) He had issue, 19 Rebecca, born 13 January, 1784, and died 12 March, 1867. She married Gilliam Booth, Jr. (son of Gilliam Booth), who was born October 26, 1781, and died July 27, 1821, father of the late Mr. Edwin Booth, born 11 May, 1810.* (Bible Register.) The latter's son, Dr. E. G. Booth, owns "Carter's Grove, on James River. 20 Reuben Booth had Louisa, who married Gen. William E. Starke, C. S. A., killed at Sharpsburg; 21 Thomas, of Brunswick; 22 Sally, married Benjamin Booth, of Amelia; 23 Sally, married Robert C. Booth, of Dinwiddie; 24 Minerva. (Goode's *Virginia Cousins.*)

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* Afterwards Belfield was laid out on the other side of the Meherrin River. But a few years ago Hicks' Ford and Belfield were united and called "Emporia."